NATIONAL MINE, MICHIGAN

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Year ended March 31, 2005

# Michigan Deptartment of Treasury 496 (2-04) Auditing Procedures Report

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

July 23, 2005

The Honorable Supervisor and Members Township of Tilden Board Marquette County, Michigan

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and aggregate and the aggregate remaining fund information of the TOWNSHIP OF TILDEN as of and for the year ended March 31, 2005, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Township's management. My responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted by the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for an opinion.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the TOWNSHIP OF TILDEN as of March 31, 2005, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As described in the footnotes, the TOWNSHIP OF TILDEN has implemented a new financial reporting model, as required by the provisions of GASB No. 34, Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - For State and Local Governments, as amended and interpreted as of March 31, 2005.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, I have also issued my report dated July 23, 2005, on my consideration of the Townships internal control over financial reporting and on my test of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of my testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in conjunction with this report in considering the results of my audit.

The budgetary comparison information on pages 18 through 21 are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. I have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, I did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

My audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the TOWNSHIP OF TILDEN's basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Govenments, and Non-Profit Organizations, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements of the TOWNSHIP OF TILDEN taken as a whole. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in my opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

Our discussion and analysis of the Township of Tilden, Michigan's financial performance provides an overview of the Township's financial activities for the year ended March 31, 2005. Please read it in conjunction with the financial statements, which begin on page 11.

#### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The Township's net assets were reported for the first time under GASB 34. As such, no comparisons with prior years will be made. In future years, comparative information will be presented in various schedules throughout the "Management's Discussion and Analysis".

Net assets for the Township as a whole decreased by \$35,264 which is about two percent of the previous years net assets.

During the year, The Township had expenses for governmental activities in the amount of \$476,269 and revenues in the amount of \$448,866.

The General Fund reported a net fund balance of \$183,359. The net change in the General Fund balance was a decrease of \$6,837 which was \$14,268 less than projected.

#### USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities (pages 11 and 12) provide information about the activities of the Township as a whole and presents a longer term view of the Township's finances. Fund financial statements start on page 13. For governmental activities, these statements relate how these services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future funding of these services. Fund financial statements also report the Township's operation in more detail than the government-wide statements by providing information about the Township's most significant funds. The remaining statements provide financial information about activities for which the Township acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefit of those outside the government.

#### REPORTING THE TOWNSHIP AS A WHOLE

My analysis of the Township as a whole begins on page 7. One of the most important questions asked about the Township's finances is, "Is the Township as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities report information about the Township as a whole and about its activities in a way that helps answer that question. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by most private sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid. These two statements report the Township's net assets and changes in them. Over time, increases or decreases in the Township's net assets are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. You will need to consider other non-financial factors, howerever, such as changes in the Township's population base and the condition of the Township's capital assets, to assess the overall financial health of the Township.

# REPORTING THE TOWNSHIP AS A WHOLE (Continued)

In the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities, the Township has two types of activities:

Governmental Activities - Most of the Township's basic services are reported here, including the legislative, elections, public safety, public works, recreation and culture, community and economic development and general services and administration. Property taxes, charges for services and State sources fund most of these activities.

Business Type Activities - The Township charges a fee to customers to help it cover most of the cost of certain services it provides. The Township provides water services for Township residents and charges a fee to cover the costs of operations.

# REPORTING THE TOWNSHIP'S MOST SIGNIFICANT FUNDS

My analysis of the Township's major funds begins on page 9. The fund financial statements begin on page 13 and provided detailed information on the most significant funds but not the Township as a whole. Some funds are required to be established by State law and by bond covenants. However, the Township establishes many other funds to help it control and manage money for particular purposes or to show that it is meeting legal responsibilities for using taxes, grants, and other money. The Township's two kinds of funds (Governmental and Proprietary) use different accounting methods.

Governmental Funds - Most of the Township's services are reported in governmental funds, which focuses on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year end that are available for spending. These funds are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can be readily converted into cash. The governmental fund statments provide a detailed short term view of the Township's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the Township's programs. I describe the relationship (or differences) between governmental activities reported in the Statement of Net Assets and Statement of Activities and governmental funds in a reconciliation which follows the fund financial statements.

Propreitary Funds - When the Township charges customers for the services it provides, those services are generally reported in proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are reported in the same way that all activities are in the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities. In fact, the Township's enterprise funds (a component of proprietary funds) are the same as the business type activities I report in the governmental wide statements but provide more detail and additional information, such as cash flows, for proprietary funds.

#### THE TOWNSHIP AS TRUSTEE

The Township is the trustee, or fiduciary, for assets that, because of a trust arrangement can be used only for the trust beneficiaries. All of the fiduciary activities are reported in a separate Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets on page 17. I have excluded these activities from the other financial statements because the Township cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

#### THE TOWNSHIP AS A WHOLE

Table I provided a summary of the Township's net assets at March 31, 2005.

	Governmental Activities	Total Primary Government
Current and other assets Non current assets	\$ 1,335,719 421,537	\$ 1,361,426 1,851,269
Total Assets	\$ 1,757,256	\$ 3,212,695
Current liabilities Non current liabilities	\$ 81,017	\$ 112,174
Total Liabilities	\$ 81,017	\$ 112,174
Net Assets: Invested in capital assets Restricted Unrestricted	\$ 421,537 874,928 379,774	\$ 1,668,237 894,737 537,547
Total Net Assets	\$ 1,676,239	\$ 3,100,521

Net assets of the Township's governmental activities stood at \$1,676,239 Unrestricted net assets - the part of net assets that could be used to finance day to day activities without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation or other legal requirements stood at \$1,254,702

The \$379,774 in unrestricted net assets, of governmental activities represents the accumulated results of all past years' operations. The operating results of the Feneral Fund will have a significant impact on the change in unrestricted net assets from year to year.

The results of this year's operation for the Township as a whole are reported in the Statement of Activities (See Table 2), which shows the changes in net assets for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2005.

Table 2 - Changes in Net Assets

		overnmental Activities	_	Business Type Activities	1	otal Primary Government
Revenues:						
Program Revenues:						
Charges for services General Revenues:	\$	7,301	\$	81,259	\$	88,560
Property taxes		321,056		_		321,056
Intergovernmental		72,860		_		72,860
Other		47,649		79,151		126,800
Total Revenues	\$	448,866	\$	160,410	\$	609,276
			-		_	
Program Expenses:						
Legislative	\$	3,995	\$	_	Ś	3,995
Elections		2,453	,	_	~	2,453
General Services		•				2,455
and Administration		144,837		_		144,837
Public Safety		63,674		_		63,674
Public Works Community and		183,389		77,396		260,785
Economic Development		130		_		130
Recreation and Culture		7,074		-		7,074
Other		78,578		-		78,578
Total Expenses	\$	484,130	\$	77,396	\$	561,526
Increase (decrease) in net assets	٠,	25 254				
increase (decrease) in het assets	Ş (	35,264)	ş	83,014	\$	47,750
Net assets, beginning, as restated		1,711,503		1,341,268		3,052,771
Net Assets, Ending		1,676,239	\$ ==	1,424,282	•	3,100,521

The Township's total revenues were \$609,276. The total cost of all programs and services was \$561,526, leaving an increase in net assets of \$47,750. My analysis below separately considers the operation of governmental activities:

## GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

The net assets of the Township's governmental activities decreased \$ 35,264 and the net assets of the Township's business type activities increased \$83,014 for the year ended March 31, 2005.

The \$35,264 decrease is made up of \$14,403 of net loss from governmental funds discussed later, and depreciation expense of \$ 20,861.

#### THE TOWNSHIP'S FUNDS

As the Township completed the year, its governmental funds (as presented in the balance sheet on page 13) reported a combined fund balance of \$ 1,254,702 which is a \$ 35,264 decrease from the beginning of the year.

The main reason that there was a decrease from the beginning of the year was due to the depreciation expense of \$ 20,861 and an excess of actual expenditures (excluding depreciation) over budgeted expenditures in the amount of \$ 6,556.

#### GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Over the course of the year, the Township Board reviewed and amended the originally adopted budget a few times.

Actual charges to expenditues were \$ 24,417 more than the final amended budget. Conversely, revenues were \$ 13,149 more than the final budget projection.

Of the additional \$ 27,417 in excess expendutures, \$ 20,861 was for depreciation which had not been budgeted.

Of the additional \$13,149 in revenues, \$11,412 was from other revenues.

## CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

#### CAPITAL ASSETS

As of March 31, 2005, the Township had \$ 1,851,269 invested in a variety of capital assets including land, land improvements, building and improvements, equipment and furnishings as are detailed in Table 3 below:

Table 3 - Capital Assets at March 31, 2005 (Net of Depreciation)

		ernmental	usiness Type tivities	Total
Land Construction in Progress Land Improvements Building and Improvements Equipment and Furnishings	\$	35,150 57,538 299,509 29,340	\$ 10,500 1,261,274 155,358 - 2,600	45,650 1,261,274 212,896 299,509 31,940
	\$ ====	421,537 ======	,429,732	\$ 1,851,269

The Township had additions to fixed assets during the current year in the amount of \$ 1,261,274 which consisted of Construction in Progress for the water system. Depreciation expense for the year was \$ 33,480.

#### DEBT

At March 31, 2005, the Township had \$12,326 in bonds outstanding and \$3,180 in accrued sick leave as detailed in Notes E and F to the financial statements.

# ECONOMIC FACTORS FOR NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET

In preparing the Townships budget for the year ended March 31, 2006, we looked at the past year's budget as well as the last two complete years' actual revenues and expenditures and prepared our budget from these documents, with increases and decreases where necessary.

# CONTACTING THE TOWNSHIP'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the Township's finances and to show the Township's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Township of Tilden; 3414 County Road PG; Ishpeming, Michigan 49849-9602.

# STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

March 31, 2005

	G -	overnmental Activities	B -	usiness Type Activities	e -	Total
ASSETS Current Assets: Cash and cash equivalents Investments Receivables (net)	\$	417,559 874,928 43,232		24,318 - 1,389	\$	441,877 874,928 44,621
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	<b>s</b> \$	1,335,719	\$	25,707	\$	1,361,426
Non-current assets: Land and construction in progress Other capital assets Accumulated depreciation		232,897		1,271,774 319,680 ( 161,722)		055 577
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	\$ \$	421,537	\$	1,429,732	\$	1,851,269
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	1,757,256	\$	1,455,439	\$	3,212,695
LIABILITIES  Current Liabilities:  Accounts payable	\$ 	81,017	\$ 	31,157	\$	112,174
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$	81,017	\$	31,157	\$	112,174
NET ASSETS Invested in capital assets net of related debt Restricted Unrestricted	\$	421,537 874,928 379,774		1,246,700 19,809 157,773		1,668,237 894,737 537,547
TOTAL NET ASSETS		1,676,239				3,100,521

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES TOWNSHIP OF TILDEN

For the Year ended March 31, 2005

Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets	Primary Government	\$ 3,995 2,453 137,546 63,664 183,389 7,074 78,578	\$ 476,829 \$ 476,829		\$ 441,565	\$( 35,264) 1,711,503	\$ 1,676,239
	Capital Grants and		vs vs	tal .	TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES 9	CHANGE IN NET ASSETS \$ s, beginning of year	END OF YEAR
Program Revenues	Operating Grants and Contributions	v.	w w	General Revenues: Taxes Intergovernmental Other	TOTAL GEN	CHANGE Net assets, begi	NET ASSETS,
	Charges for Services	\$ 7,291	\$ 7,301	Ğ		Z	
	Expenses	\$ 3,995 2,453 144,837 63,674 183,389 7,074 78,578	\$ 484,130				
	Function/Programs	Primary Government: Governmental Activities: Legislative Elections General services and administration Public Safety Public Works Community and economic development Recreation and culture Other	Total Governmental Activities TOTAL PRIMARY GOVERNMENT				

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

## GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

BALANCE SHEET
March 31, 2005

ASSETS		General Fund		Road Fund	F	Fire Garbage Rec. Fund	G	Total overnmental Funds
Cash and cash equivalents Investments	\$	196,740 -	\$	106,513 874,928	\$	114,306	ş	417,559 874,928
Receivables Taxes receivable		2,031 2,991		1,378		- 1,367		2,031 5,736
Due from other funds		11,648	_	37,529	_	8,858		58,035
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ ==	213,410	\$	1,020,348	\$	124,531	\$	1,358,289
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE								
LIABILITIES: Accounts payable Due to other funds	\$ 	8,481 21,570	\$	67,678 1,000	\$	4,858	\$	81,017 22,570
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	30,051	\$	68,678	\$	4,858	\$	103,587
FUND BALANCE: General Fund Road Fund Fire, Garbage and Recreation Fund	\$	183,359 - - -	\$	951,670 - 	\$	- 119,673	\$	183,359 951,670 119,673
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	\$ <del>-</del>	183,359	\$	951,670	\$	119,673	\$	1,254,702
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	\$	213,410		1,020,348		124,531		1,358,289

# RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

March 31, 2005

Total Fund Balances for Governmental Funds

\$ 1,254,702

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds

421,537

NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS \$ 1,676,239

## GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

Year ended March 31, 2005

		General Fund		Road Fund		Fire Garbage Rec. Fund	G 	Total overnmental Funds
Revenues:								
Taxes Intergovernmental Other	\$	163,077 72,860 14,512	)	80,115 - 33,078		-		321,056 72,860 54,950
TOTAL REVENUES	<b>3</b> \$	250,449	\$	113,193	\$	85,224	! \$	448,866
Expenditures:								
Township board Supervisor Election expense Assessor	\$	3,995 7,959 2,453 38,354	·	- - -	\$	- - -	\$	3,995 7,959 2,453 38,354
Clerk Board of review Treasurer Township hall		7,880 819 12,640 49,541		- - - -		- - - -		7,880 819 12,640 49,541
Garage and vehicles Police protection Fire protection Sanitation Animal control		27,644 - - - 75		33,686 - - -		29,913 46,231		27,644 33,686 29,913 46,231 75
Planning and zoning Highways and streets Parks and recreation Other		130 24,001 3,217 78,578		113,157 - -		- - 3,857 -		130 137,158 7,074 75,578
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	257 <b>,</b> 286	\$	146,843	\$	80,001	\$	484,130
EXCESS REVENUES (EXPENDITURES) Fund balance at	\$(	6,837)	\$(	33,650)	\$	5,223	\$(	35,264)
beginning of year		190,196		985,320		114,450	1	,289,966
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	\$	183,359	\$	951,670 ======	•	119,673		,254,702

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Year ended March 31, 2005

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds \$( 14,403)

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays such as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the current period.

Capital outlays

-

Depreciation expense

( 20,861) ( 20,861)

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES \$( 35,264)

# FIDUCIARY FUNDS

# STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS

March 31, 2005

		nd C	Current Ta Collection Account		Total
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 15	59 \$ 	8,032	\$	8,191
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 15	9 \$ = =	8,032 ======	\$ ==	8,191 ======
LIABILITIES					
Due to general fund Due to special revenue funds Due to others	\$ 15 - -	9 \$ 	5 384 130 2,518		5,543 130 2,518
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 159	•	8,032		8,191

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2005

# NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following is a summary of the more significant accounting policies of the Township of Tilden:

# 1. Financial Reporting Entity

In accordance with the provisions of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 14 entitled "The Financial Reporting Entity" a governmental financial reporting entity consists of a primary government, such as a general purpose local government, and component units, which are defined as units for which the primary government is financially accountable. The primary government is financially accountable if it appoints a voting majority of a component's governing body, and there is a potential for the component unit to provide certain financial benefits to, or impose certain financial burdens on, the primary government.

As required by generally accepted accounting principles, the financial statements of the reporting entity includes those of the Township of Tilden (the primary government). However, there are no units which qualify as component units as defined above.

#### 2. Fund Accounting

The accounts of the Township are organized on the basis of funds and account groups, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The various funds are grouped, in the financial statements in this report, as follows:

#### Governmental Funds:

General Fund - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Township. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Special Revenue Funds - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than special assessments, expendable trusts, or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

# Proprietary Funds:

Enterprise Funds - Enterprise Funds are used to account for operations (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises - where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or (b) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purposes.

# Fiduciary Funds:

Trust and Agency Funds - Trust and Agency Funds are used to account for assets held by the Township as an agent for other governmental units and other funds. These agency funds are custodial in nature and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

#### Account Groups:

General Fixed Asset Account Group - This account group presents the fixed assets of the local unit utilized in its general operations.

General Long-Term Debt Account Group - This account group presents the balance of general obligation long-term debt which is not recorded in proprietary funds.

## 3. Measurement Focus

The accounting and reporting treatment applied to the fixed assets associated with a fund are determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds are accounted for on a spending or "financial flow" measurement focus. This means that only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. Their reported fund balance (net current assets) is considered a measure of "available spendable resources." Governmental fund operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets. Accordingly, they are said to present a summary of sources and uses of "available spendable resources" during a period.

Fixed assets used in governmental fund type operations are accounted for in the General Fixed Assets Account Group, rather than in governmental funds. All fixed assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available. No depreciation has been provided on general fixed assets.

All proprietary funds are accounted for on a cost of services or "capital maintenance" measurement focus. This means that all assets and all liabilities (whether current or noncurrent) associated with their activities are included on their balance sheets. Their reported fund equity (net total assets) is segregated into contributed capital and retained earnings components. Proprietary fund type operating statements present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in net total assets.

Depreciation of all exhaustible fixed assets used by proprietary funds is charged as an expense against their operations. Accumulated depreciation is reported on proprietary funds balance sheets. Depreciation has been provided over the estimated useful lives using the straightline method. Fixed assets and their related accumulated depreciation, by major classification are as follows:

	Cost	Accumulated Depr.	Current Depr.	Estimated Lives
Water distribution system	278,964	123,606	9,362	7-20 years
Machinery and equipment	40,716	38,116	2,957	7-10 years

#### 4. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements.

All governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets. Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred.

All proprietary funds are accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they are earned, and their expenses are recognized when they are incurred.

Agency Funds are accounted for using the cash basis of accounting. Since Agency Funds do not involve measurement of results of operations, there are no revenue or expenditure accounts.

- 5. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting
  The township follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary
  data reflected in the financial statements:
- a. In February, the Township Supervisor submits to the Township Board, a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following April 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
- b. A public hearing is conducted to obtain taxpayer comments.
- c. Prior to April 1, the budget is legally enacted by resolution.
- d. Any revision that alters the original budget of any fund must be approved by the Township Board.
- e. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General Fund and Special Revenue Funds.
- f. Budgets for the General and Special Revenue Funds are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.
- g. Budget appropriations lapse at the end of each fiscal year.
- h. Budgeted amounts are stated as originally adopted or as amended by the Township Board.

# 6. Cash and Investments

Cash includes amounts in demand deposits as well as short-term investments with a maturity date within three months of the date acquired by the governmental unit.

Investments are stated at cost or amortized cost.

#### 7. Inventory

Inventories are not significant and have not been recognized in any of the funds.

## 8. Due from Other Funds

Due from other funds represent current interfund loans receivable and are considered "available spendable resources."

# 9. Accumulated Unpaid Vacation and Sick Leave

The Township does not allow employees to accumulate unused vacation. Sick leave may be accumulated up to a maximum of 30 days. At March 31, 2005, accumulated sick leave amounted to \$ 3,180. This amount is shown as a liability in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group.

# 10. Fund Balance Reserves

Fund balance reserves in the General Fund total \$ 61,568 and represent amounts to be used for capital outlay and budget stabilization.

Fund balance reserves in the Special Revenue Funds represent amounts reserved in the Road Fund for payment of the long-term bonds to the Marquette County Solid Waste Management Authority and the long-term contracts payable to the Marquette County Road Commission.

# 11. Total Columns on Combined Statements

Total columns on the Combined Statements are captioned "Memorandum Only" to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in these columns does not present financial position, results of operations or changes in financial position in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

# NOTE B - CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The captions on the combined balance sheet relating to cash and investments and the amounts in the total "Memorandum Only" are as follows:

Totals (Memorandum Only) Cash in bank Investments	\$	607,448 717,548
Total		1,324,996
A summary of deposits by type are: Cash in demand accounts Cash in savings accounts Certificates of deposit Investments	=== \$	1,526 451,783 154,139 717,548
Total		,324,996

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

These deposits are in three financial institutions and to brokerage firms located in the County of Marquette in varying amounts. All accounts are in the name of the Township and a specific fund or common account. They are recorded in Township records at cost. Interest is recorded when the deposits mature or is credited to the applicable account.

#### Statutory Authority

Act 217, PA 1982, authorizes the Township to deposit and invest in:

- (a) bonds and other direct obligations of the United States or its agencies
- (b) certificates of deposit, savings accounts, deposit accounts, or depository receipts of federally insured banks, insured savings and loan associations or credit unions insured by the national credit union administration that are eligible to be depository of surplus money belonging to the State under Section 5 or 6 of Act 105, PA 1855, as amended (MCL 21.145 and 21.146)
- (c) commercial paper rated at time of purchase within the three highest classifications established by not less than two standard rating services. Maturity cannot be more than 270 days after purchase and not more than 50 percent of any fund may be invested in commercial paper at any time
- (d) United States government or federal agency obligation repurchase agreements
- (e) banker's acceptance of United States banks
- (f) mutual funds composed of investments which are legal for direct investments by local units of government in Michigan

The Township's investments are in accordance with statutory authority.

Michigan law (Section 3, Act 40, PA 1932, as amended) prohibits security in the form of collateral, surety bond or another form for the deposit of public money.

At year end, the Township's cash and cash equivalents bank balance was \$ 607,448 of which \$ 273,383 was insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) Regulation number 330.8. The remaining balance of \$ 334,065 was uninsured and uncollateralized. This regulation in summary provides that deposits of a governmental unit are insured for the lesser of the amount of the combined deposit or \$100,000 demand deposits and \$100,000 timed deposits in every financial institution that is not a branch location that is a member of the FDIC.

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

#### Investments

Investments made by the Township are summarized below. The investments that are represented by specific identifiable investments securities are classified as to credit risk within the following two categories:

Category 1: Insured or registered, or securities held by the Township or its agent in the Township's name.

Category 2: Uninsured and unregistered with securities held by the counterparty's trust department or agent in the Township's name.

Risk

	Cate	egory		
Investment Type	1	2	Carrying Value	Market Value
Governmental Funds:				
Certificates of Deposit U.S. Government	\$ 154,139	\$ -	\$ 154,139	\$ 154,139
Securities	717,548	-	717,548	704,539
Total Investments	\$ 871,687	\$ - ========	\$ 871,687	\$ 858,678

# NOTE C - ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectables on the combined balance sheet. An allowance for uncollectable accounts was not required at March 31, 2005.

# NOTE D - CHANGES IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS

A summary of changes in general fixed assets is as follows:

	Cost Basis April 1, 2004	Additions (Retirements)	Accumulated Depreciation	Book Value March 31 2005
Land	\$ 35,150	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 35.150
Landscaping	71,922	<u> </u>	14,384	,
Township hall	162,542	_	32,425	57,538
Township garage	31,160	_		130,117
Recreational building	01,100		6,232	24,928
and facilities	180,006	_	35,542	144,464
Vehicles	16,185	-	6,936	9,249
Machinery and equipment Office furniture and	28,244	-	19,013	9,231
equipment	31,638	-	25,178	6 460
Maintenance equipment	4,000	_	3,200	6,460 800
Voting mach's & software	10,200	-	6,600	3,600
	\$571,047 =======	\$ -	\$ 149,510	\$ 421,537

NOTE E - CHANGES IN LONG-TERM DEBT

Long-term debt at March 31, 2005 consisted of:

	-	Balance April 1, 2004	Add	ditions	Ded:	uctions		alance rch 31, 2005
Marquette County Solid Waste Authority Bonds Accrued sick leave	\$	14,218 3,085	\$	2,005	\$	1,892 1,910	\$	12,326 3,180
Totals	\$ ==	17,303	\$	2,005	\$	3,802	•	15,506

# NOTE F - MARQUETTE COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

The Township of Tilden and most other municipalities located in Marquette County formed the Marquette County Solid Waste Management Authority on June 16, 1988. The purpose of the Authority is to acquire, construct, establish, and implement a solid waste disposal system to be located in Marquette County. The Authority is governed by a Board of Trustees made up of members from the participating municipalities. The Township paid \$40,142 for the year ended March 31, 1989, which represented their share of the original estimated construction costs. However, construction cost overruns were financed by the Authority through the sale of bonds to the Michigan Municipal Bond Authority. The Township of Tilden is responsible for the repayment of \$28,920 of construction cost overruns. A schedule of the Township's remaining payments on the bonds is as follows:

		Ma	y 1	_	Nove	ember 1			
	Pr	incipal	Int	erest	Interest			Total	
2005 2006 2007 2008 2009	\$	2,054 2,271 2,433 2,649 2,919	\$	431 373 258 195 73	\$	376 260 196 73	\$	2,861 2,904 2,887 2,917 2,992	
TOTALS	\$	12,326		1,330	\$	905 =====	\$	14,561	

## NOTE G - LONG-TERM CONTRACTS PAYABLE

The Township enters into contracts for road construction with the Marquette County Road Commission. Terms of the contract call for the Marquette County Road Commission to upgrade specified county roads with the Township paying a percentage of the actual costs over a period of time. During the year ended March 31, 2005, there were payments of \$ 112,151.88 on two projects.

The Township budgets for these payments annually and records them as an expenditure in the year paid. The fund balance in the Road Fund is also reserved for these contractual payments.

## NOTE H - PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes are levied on December 1. The Township collects its own property taxes until mid February, at which time collection is turned over to Marquette County.

The tax rates levied for the year ended March 31, 2005, on a taxable value of \$ 17,506,661 were as follows:

	Millage Rate /M	Amount
General Operating Road Fund Fire, Garbage	1.3157 .9658	\$ 23,028 16,903
and Recreation	.9578	16,763

## NOTE I - RETIREMENT PLAN

The Township adopted a Simplified Pension Plan (SEP) in January of 1985. All employees that have worked for the Township in three of the last five years and received over \$ 374 in compensation during the current year are eligible to participate. For the year ended March 31, 2005, the Township contributed five percent of the gross pay for all eligible employees and elected officials which amounted to \$ 4,151.86.

# NOTE J - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Township is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Township maintains insurance coverage through the Michigan Township Participating Plan which covers each of those risks of loss. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the Township. Settled claims have not exceeded this coverage in any of the past three years.

#### NOTE K - NEW WATER SYSTEM

The Township is the process of replacing their current water system. The estimated cost of the project is \$ 2,172,750 and is to be paid for through a grant in the amount of \$ 1,617,000, revenue bonds in the amount of \$ 540,000 and matching funds in the amount of \$ 15,750. The project was started during the summer of 2004 and is to be completed by the summer 2005. Through March 31, 2005, \$ 1,261,274.28 had been expended on the project.

# TILDEN TOWNSHIP - GENERAL FUND

# STATEMENT OF BUDGETED AND ACTUAL REVENUES

# For the Year Ended March 31, 2005

	Budget	Actual
GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES  Current tax collections Specific ore tax Swamplands tax Commercial forest Delinquent tax collections and interest Administrative fees	\$ 24,000 89,000 15,800 200 1,200 31,000	\$ 23,028 86,245 15,826 239 2,376 35,363
TOTAL GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES	\$ 161,200	\$ 163,077
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE Sales tax  TOTAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES	\$ 73,000 \$ 73,000	\$ 72,860 \$ 72,860
OTHER REVENUES Reimbursements Dog licenses Other charges for services Hall rental Interest on investments Miscellaneous	\$ - 500 2,000 500 100	\$ 779 10 3,536 3,755 1,160 5,272
TOTAL OTHER REVENUES	\$ 3,100	\$ 14,512
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 237,300	\$ 250,449

# TILDEN TOWNSHIP - GENERAL FUND

# STATEMENT OF BUDGETED AND ACTUAL EXPENDITURES

# For the Year Ended March 31, 2005

		Budget		Actual
TOWNSHIP BOARD  Salaries and wages  Printing and memberships  Miscellaneous	\$	2,281 1,800 -	\$	2,601 1,374 20
TOTAL TOWNSHIP BOARD	\$	4,081	\$	3,995
TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR Salaries and wages Travel Miscellaneous	\$	7,949 200 -	\$ 	7,959 - -
TOTAL TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR	\$	8,149	\$	7,959
ELECTIONS Salaries and wages Miscellaneous TOTAL ELECTIONS	\$	500 1,100 1,600	\$	1,138 1,315 2,453
ASSESSOR Salaries and wages Office supplies Dues and memberships Travel Miscellaneous TOTAL ASSESSOR	\$	35,000 500 250 - 200	\$	37,851 301 165 - 37
TOTAL ASSESSOR	\$ —	35,950	\$ —	38,354
TOWNSHIP CLERK Salaries and wages: Clerk Deputy Clerk Office supplies Travel Miscellaneous	\$	7,249 500 100 100	\$	7,304 395 14 167
TOTAL TOWNSHIP CLERK	\$	7,949	\$	7,880

# TILDEN TOWNSHIP - GENERAL FUND

# STATEMENT OF BUDGETED AND ACTUAL EXPENDITURES (CONTINUED)

# For the Year Ended March 31, 2005

		Budget	 Actual
BOARD OF REVIEW Salaries and wages Miscellaneous	\$	350 150	\$ 336 483
TOTAL BOARD OF REVIEW	<u> </u>	500	\$ 819
TOWNSHIP TREASURER Salaries and wages Office supplies Travel Miscellaneous	\$	7,710 3,500 100	\$ 8,174 4,031 85 350
TOTAL TOWNSHIP TREASURER	\$	11,310	\$ 12,640
TOWNSHIP HALL Salaries and wages Operating supplies Office supplies Repair and maintenance Equipment rental Travel Telephone Utilities Miscellaneous Capital outlay	\$	25,000 3,000 3,000 3,000 - 100 3,000 9,500	\$ 26,369 2,300 4,724 2,127 - 32 2,832 10,860 297
TOTAL TOWNSHIP HALL	\$ —	46,600	\$ 49,541
GARAGE AND VEHICLES Salaries and wages Operating supplies Vehicle expense Repair and maintenance Utilities and telephone Miscellaneous Capital outlay	\$	13,000 3,500 4,500 1,000 3,600	\$ 16,454 2,267 3,279 2,041 3,603
TOTAL GARAGE AND VEHICLES	\$	25,600	\$ 27,644

TILDEN TOWNSHIP - GENERAL FUND

# STATEMENT OF BUDGETED AND ACTUAL EXPENDITURES (CONTINUED) For the Year Ended March 31, 2005

		Budget	- <u>-</u>	Actual
ANIMAL CONTROL Salaries and wages Other	\$	- 50	\$	- 75
TOTAL ANIMAL CONTROL	\$	50	\$	75
PLANNING AND ZONING Salaries and wages Operating supplies	\$	300 200	\$	65 65
TOTAL PLANNING AND ZONING	\$	500	\$	130
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS Contractual services TOTAL HIGHWAYS AND STREETS	\$	25,000	\$ <del>-</del> \$	24,001
	<del>-</del>	23,000	<del>-</del>	24,001
PARKS AND RECREATION Salaries and wages	\$	3,100	\$	3,217
TOTAL PARKS AND RECREATION	\$	3,100	\$	3,217
OTHER Social security taxes Unemployment compensation Employee benefits	\$	7,880 3,500 18,200	\$	8,468 2,381 13,099
Pension Insurance and bonds Professional fees Community promotion Provision for depreciation Miscellaneous		4,500 17,000 4,400 - - 4,000		3,726 19,830 5,932 - 20,861
TOTAL OTHER	<del></del>	59,480	\$	4,281 78,578
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		229,869		257,286

# SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

## BALANCE SHEET

March 31, 2005

## ASSETS

ASSETS					
	_	Road Fund	R	Fire Garbage ecreation	Total
Cash on hand and in banks Investments Delinquent taxes receivable Due from other funds: General Fund Water Fund Fiduciary Account Other funds	\$	106,513 874,928 1,378 15,900 21,564 65		114,306 - 1,367 5,670 2,123 65 1,000	874,928 2,745 21,570 23,687 130
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1 ==	L,020,348		124,531	\$1,144,879
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE					
Liabilities Accounts payable Due to other funds	\$	67,678 1,000	\$	4,858 - 	\$ 72,536 1,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	68,678	\$	4,858	\$ 73,536
Fund balance: Unreserved Reserved	\$	76,742 874,928	\$	119,673	\$ 196,415 874,928
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	\$	951,670	\$	119,673	\$1,071,343
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	\$1	,020,348	\$	124,531	\$1,144,879

# SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

# STATEMENT OF INCOME, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES Year ended March 31, 2005

	<del></del> .	Road Fund		Fire Garbage Recreation		Total
INCOME						
Current tax collections Specific ore tax Delinquent tax collections	\$	16,968 63,106		16,828 61,003	\$	33,796 124,109
and interest Interest on investments Other income		33,078 -		33 1,435 5,925		74 34,513 5,925
TOTAL INCOME	\$	113,193	\$	85,224	\$	198,417
EXPENSES						
Landfill Transfer station	\$	- - -	\$	21,593 686 23,952	\$	21,593 686 23,952
Streets and roads:    Operating supplies    Improvements    Police protection Fire:		1,005 112,152 33,686		- - -		1,005 112,152 33,686
Contractual services Hydrant rental Other		- - -		25,364 3,672 877		25,364 3,672 877
Parks and Recreation		- 		3,857		3,857
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	146,843	\$ 	80,001	\$	226,844
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$ (	33,650)	\$	5,223	\$(	28,427)
Fund balance at April 1, 2004		985,319		114,449	1,	099,768
FUND BALANCE AT MARCH 31, 2005	\$	951,669 ======		119,672	•	071,341

# TILDEN TOWNSHIP - WATER FUND

# STATEMENT OF INCOME, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN RETAINED EARNINGS - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

For the year ended March 31, 2005

	Budget 	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
OPERATING INCOME - Water charges	\$ 70,200	\$ 81,259	\$ 11,059
OPERATING EXPENSES Salaries and wages Payroll taxes Pension	\$ 27,890 2,365 1,450	\$ 15,472 1,172 425	1,193
Operating supplies Water purchases and testing Utilities and telephone	16,500	2,714 19,261 13,861	(2,761)
Repair and maintenance Other operating expenses Provision for depreciation Other expenses	1,000 2,200 - 1,700	893 2,543 12,619	107 ( 343) ( 12,619) 1,700
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	\$ 70,705	\$ 68,960	\$ 1,745
OPERATING PROFIT (LOSS)	\$( 505)	\$ 12,299	\$ 12,804
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES) Reimbursements Interest on investments Interest on bonds Other interest expense	( – )	\$ 79,073 78 ( 8,418) ( 18)	\$ 79,073 \$( 22) ( 8,418) ( 18)
TOTAL NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	\$ 100 	\$ 70,715	\$ 70,615
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$ ( 405)	\$ 83,014	\$ 83,419
Retained earnings at April 1, 2004		94,568	
RETAINED EARNINGS AT MARCH 31, 2005		\$177,582 ======	

# TRUST AND AGENCY FUNDS

# COMBINING STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

March 31, 2005

		Current Tax Collection Account	
ASSETS			
Cash in bank	\$ 159	\$ 8,032	\$ 8,191
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 159 ========	\$ 8,032 =======	\$ 8,191 
LIABILITIES			
Due to general fund Due to special revenue funds Due to others	\$ 159 - - 	\$ 5 384 130 2,518	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 159	\$ 8,032	\$ 8,191

## FIDUCIARY FUNDS

# COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Year ended March 31, 2005

		ce at 1,2004		dditions	Ded	uctions		lance at ch 31,2005
TRUST AND AGENCY FUND								
ASSETS								
Cash in bank	\$ ======	157		265		263 		159
LIABILITIES								
Due to General Fund Due to Road Fund Due to Fire, Garbage	\$	<del>-</del>	\$	-	\$	<del>-</del>	\$	-
and Recreation Fund Due to others		157		- 265		263		_ 159
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	157	\$ ==:	265	\$ =====	263	\$ ====	159
CURRENT TAX COLLECTION ACCOUNT								
ASSETS								
Cash in bank	\$	-		,390,496		82,464	\$	8,032
LIABILITIES								
Due to General Fund Due Special Revenue Funds Due to Schools	\$	- -	\$	130,946 155,159 774,943	19	25,562 55,029 74,530	\$	5,384 130 413
Due to County Due to State of Michigan Due to Others		- - -		625,972 703,444 32		25,322 02,021 -		650 1,423 32
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	_	\$ 2	390,496	\$ 2,38	32,464	\$	8,032

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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FIANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

July 23, 2005

The Honorable Supervisor and Members Township of Tilden Board Marquette County, Michigan

I have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate descretely presented component units, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the TOWNSHIP OF TILDEN as of and for the year ended March 31, 2005, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements and have issued my report thereon dated July 23, 2005. I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted by the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing my audit, I considered the TOWNSHIP OF TILDEN's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinions on the financial statements, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting. My consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements caused by error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. I noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operations that I consider to be a material weakness.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the TOWNSHIP OF TILDEN's financial statements are free of material misstatement, I performed tests of compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with, which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of my audit, and accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, Township Board, federal awarding agencies and pass through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Certified Public Accountant

#### SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

Year ended March 31, 2005

Federal Grantor	Federal CFDA Number	Federal Expenditures
U.S. Department of Agriculture - Rural Development	10.760	\$ 1,261,274
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards		\$ 1,261,274

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes the federal grant activity of the TOWNSHIP OF TILDEN and is presented on the accrual basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations. The amounts reported in this schedule do non differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements.

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July 23, 2005

The Honorable Supervisor and Members of the Township Board Township of Tilden National Mine, Michigan

I have audited the financial statements of the Township of Tilden for the year ended March 31, 2005 and have issued my report thereon dated July 23, 2005. As part of my audit, I made a study and evaluation of the internal accounting control system to the extent I considered necessary to determine the nature, timing and extent of my auditing procedures. During my evaluation, I observed the following areas that require improvement or change in order to improve internal accounting controls.

#### MONTHLY BUDGET REPORTS

A very important accounting tool for the Township Board is a monthly budget report. This report allows the Township Board to monitor revenues and expenditures and compare them to the budget amounts that were approved at the beginning of the year. It also allows for the amending of those budgets when necessary. During the year ended March 31, 2005, the Township had exceeded the budget in the following areas:

General Fund	Actual Expenditures		Amount Budgeted		Variance	
Elections Assessor Board of Review Township Treasurer Township Hall Garage and Vehicles Animal Control Parks and Recreation Provision for Depreciation	\$	2,453 38,354 819 12,640 49,541 27,644 75 3,217 20,861		1,600 35,950 500 11,310 46,600 25,600 50 3,100		853 2,404 319 1,330 2,941 2,044 25 117 20,861
Special Revenue Fund Sanitation Water Fund		46,231		44,000		2,231
Water Purchases and Testing Other Provision for Depreciation	\$	19,261 2,543 12,619	\$	16,500 2,200 -	\$	2,731 343 12,619

It is a violation of the Michigan Budgeting and Accounting laws to expend more than has been budgeted and it is imperative that budgets be reviewed and amended in the future to cover increased in anticipated spending.

Sincerely,

Thomas R. Fleury, C.P.